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We continue to have requests for reassurance that KRAB isn't gone forever. We have a staff and a team of six to eight professional consultants from different fields who are working locally and in Washington D.C. toward getting KRAB back on the air.

Commentary From Gary Margason

One thing I've learned from my long association with KRAB is patience. You can only push government bureaucracies so hard without having them turn on you with ruinous effect.

The original plan which finally brought KRAB to the air in Dec. of 1962 was hatched when Lorenzo Milam and I became dissatisfied with the programming at Radio KPFA in Berkeley. That was in 1958. At that time, Milam's efforts went toward establishing a listener supported radio station in Washington D.C. Two years later that plan was abandoned because Milam felt the FCC was going to use it's option of not taking any action on the application. A new application was prepared for Seattle, WA in May of 1960—over two-and one-half years before we finally went on the air. The Foundation set out to sell that channel (107.7) in 1981. The sale was not closed until April of 1984.

With this time frame history, our goal to get back on the air this year may seem overly optimistic. Although I don't expect my patience to translate to good feelings for our loyal listeners, this current situation has elements of hope which could bear fruit well before you've forgotten us altogether.